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In Re Application of:

Malik

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For: Methods and Systems for Using

the Public Switched Telephone Network to Conduct a Transaction Between

Customer Accounts

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

The outstanding final Office Action mailed October 2, 2003 (Paper No. 25) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please consider the following remarks.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that only a one-month extension of time is required. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.

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Re: Proposed Response to Office Action for 09/287,023

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